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In re U.S. Patent Application of

Nakao

Application Number: 10/756,401

Filed: January 14, 2004

**For: FUNCTIONAL BEADS, METHOD FOR READING THE
SAME AND BEAD-READING APPARATUS**

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Independent Claims	8	8	5 (Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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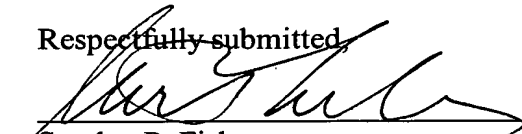
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 18, 2006, the period of response to which is set to expire on July 18, 2006. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: